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A PROGRAMMABLE LOGIC :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior to the examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0009] with the following replacement paragraph:

Figure 2A is a first portion of one embodiment of a file structure of an extensible mark up language schema system. Figure 2B is a second portion of the one embodiment of a file structure of an extensible mark up language schema system.

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following replacement paragraph:

Figures 2A and 2B are an illustration of a file structure of an extensible mark up language (XML) schema file 10 that is utilized to facilitate configuring multiple devices including PLCs by providing a standard format for defining a protocol for the device. The standard format is programming language and platform independent. In one embodiment, the device is a PLC and the protocol is Ethernet Global Data.

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REMARKS

Submitted herewith is a Request for Approval of Formal Drawings and a Submission of Marked Up Paragraphs. Figure 2 has been expanded over multiple drawing sheets to meet the font size requirements. The specification has been amended to reflect the division of Figure 2. No new matter has been introduced by the proposed division of Figure 2 and the corresponding amendments to the specification.

Favorable action is respectfully solicited. If any fee is due, please charge Deposit
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SUBMISSION OF MARKED UP PARAGRAPHS

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Submitted herewith are marked up paragraphs in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.121(b)(1)(iii).

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0009] with the following replacement paragraph:

Figure [2 is]2A is a first portion of one embodiment of a file structure of an extensible mark up language schema system. Figure 2B is a second portion of the one embodiment of a file structure of an extensible mark up language schema system.

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following replacement paragraph:

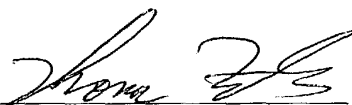
[Figure 2 is]Figures 2A and 2B are an illustration of a file structure of an extensible mark up language (XML) schema file 10 that is utilized to facilitate configuring multiple devices including PLCs by providing a standard format for defining a protocol for the device.

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